

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
JEFFERSON NATIONAL EXPANSION MEMORIAL
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

October 1, 1943.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
Attorney at Law,
705 Olive Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

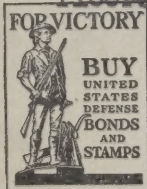
Dear Mr. Newman:

Your letter of September 30 has been received and we are pleased to have this confirmation of your willingness to cooperate in the historical talk and exhibition on American money.

In regard to the date of the talk we already have sent general announcements of the October programs to the newspapers and to a number of other places, and would prefer not to change it for that reason. On the other hand, the exhibition has not been announced. Accordingly, we suggest that you plan to give the talk on the 31st, provided it does not hinder your vacation plans in any way, and illustrate it with a series of specimens that can be shown during and immediately after your lecture. We can arrange such display space as you need for that on short notice. Then the exhibition itself can be laid out and installed as a sequel to the talk. During the first week of November, for example, we might prepare the necessary labels, and the installation could be made under your supervision on the following Saturday. This arrangement might ease the pressure on you and might also permit you to work the specimens more closely into your talk. It certainly would permit us to make fuller preparations for the exhibition. We hope this plan will suit your convenience.

Our Sunday afternoon talks usually last about forty-five minutes. As you know, the hour is 3:00, and we have made it a practice to begin each talk promptly so there is little tendency to straggle in.

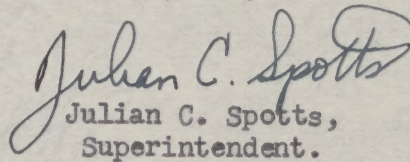
For the exhibition there will be available two table cases, each about 23" x 47", giving fifteen square feet of horizontal space; two A-cases, providing four glass covered sloping panels each 22½" x 59", or a total of about thirty-six square feet that function in the same manner as horizontal space; one wall case 116" x 22" and one 128" x 28" giving together forty-two square feet of vertical space. Additional horizontal space is provided by the floors of the two wall cases if needed. The money exhibition can occupy as



much or as little of this space as is desired.

We are grateful for your assistance in this matter as in previous ones, and we are looking forward to the talk and the exhibition. On the other hand, we are anxious not to cause you inconvenience in addition to the work which we know goes into the preparation of your material.

Very truly yours,


Julian C. Spotts,
Superintendent.

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ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI November 29, 1943.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
705 Olive Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Newman:

Please accept our sincere thanks for your cooperation in connection with the special exhibition "American Money." The specimens for display, which you generously loaned, were outstanding and illustrated the subject admirably. As you know, the talk which you gave opening the exhibit was very well received by the audience and was at the same time a decided help to our staff. We appreciate also the assistance you gave in installing and taking down the exhibit. From the standpoint of an educational venture this exhibition fully repaid the effort that went into it.

Very truly yours,

Julian C. Spotts
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ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI
415 Market Street

November 7, 1946.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
6450 Cecil Avenue,
St. Louis 5, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Newman:

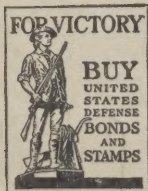
Enclosed is a photograph of half a coin which was found during the reconstruction work on the Manuel Lisa warehouse (Old Rock House). In connection with a report on the Rock House work Mr. Peterson hopes to include a footnote on this coin. Accordingly we should appreciate any help you could give us in identifying it and any corollary information concerning it. The specimen itself is temporarily on display in the special riverfront exhibition at the Missouri Historical Society building in Forest Park and if you wish to examine it we should be glad to bring it to you as soon as this exhibit is over which probably will be late in November.

Any help you can give us in this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Julian C. Spotts
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Superintendent.

Enclosure





November 21, 1946

Mr. Julian C. Spotts,
Superintendent,
United States Department of the Interior
415 Market Street
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Spotts:

With respect to your letter of November 7, 1946, I will be glad to give you a complete description and history of the coin shown in the picture you sent me, but I must see the other side of the coin in order to determine whether it is from Mexico, Guatemala or some other Spanish colonial government.

At your convenience, bring it over and I will give you as much information as possible.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

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SOUTHEASTERN NATIONAL MONUMENTS

St. Augustine, Florida

January 29, 1947.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.,
315 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

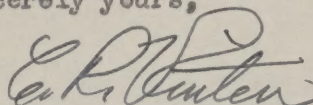
Dear Mr. Newman:

We acknowledge with appreciation your gift of a replica of a typical "piece of eight," which Mr. Manucy tells me, will be definitely useful to us.

We are also glad to know that you will keep our exhibit needs in mind, and hope to hear from you again soon.

On your next visit to Florida, perhaps you can arrange to spend more time in St. Augustine.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C. R. Vinten".

C. R. Vinten,
Coordinating Superintendent.